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Serial Nos. 11 to 14

Part B for December 1918.

SUBJECT.

Letter from the Central Transport and Foodstuffs Board re fodder supplies.

W D 88—GPB—50,000—24-7-16.

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File No. 72.

FILE HEADING.

Fodder supply.

From

The F. A. Resident

No. 8330 Dated 5-12-18 Received 5/6-12-18

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BRIEF ABSTRACT OF LETTER.

Forwards for information & necessary action a copy of letter no 889 G 20th IV CW 1918 from the Dy Chairman & Secy, Central Transport & Foodstuffs Bd & its enclosure regarding fodder supply.

NOTES AND ORDERS.

1) The file contg the previous communications from the Foodstuffs Bd on the subject is put up - If approved, copies of the present Comm. from the Foodstuffs may be sent to the Revenue & Cons

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9 Queries for suggestions
hcs
6/12/18
Chief Secy
U.J. 6/12/18

2) 48 CRX 7/12 9/12/18

3) Draft read
hcs
9/12/18
4) Issued 11/12/18

12 To
The Revd. Commissioner
— Conservator of Forests in
Mysore

No. G. 10857-8 G 9-12-18
Yr. letter no 88 G dt 20-11-1918
referred to in Serial no 11 ante
requesting to favour Govt with
their suggestions as
early
as
possible

5) Draft issued & file resumed
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10/12/18
6) for Chief Secretary
First Member
U.J. 10/12/18

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From the Cons[r] of Forests in Memo No 6184 of 10[th] Dec[r] 18

With refce to cl 12. states that a recommendation has been made by him separately to lease out the grass crop of certain State Forests in the Kadur & Shimoga Dts on payment of royalty & that if necessary - the quantity available in the Mysore Dt may also be leased on the same terms -

2) Subo with refces - The lease of the grass crop in the State Forests in the Kadur & Shimoga Dts - refd to in the Cons[r]'s letter - has since been sanctd by Govt - vide Go. No R 7239/74 97-18-2 of 11[th] Dec[r] 18

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Chf Sec[y] 12/12/18

3) The Cons[r] of Fs does not seem to have correctly understood the Communication from the Central Transport & Food Stuffs Board. That Board did not offer to buy any grass or lease any grass areas. ~~They~~ It only sugge

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certain action to ensure a supply of fodder for the requirements of the civil population. The suggestions are meant for adoption by local govts. It is doubtful if it will be necessary ~~or~~ or feasible for the Forest Dept in Mysore to undertake the departmental cutting & baling of the grass said to be available in the ~~Mysore~~ ~~&~~ State forests of the Mysore Dt. The grass is not required for local fodder requirements. We may perhaps inform the Board that about 10000 tons will be available for export if any agency is prepared to undertake the cutting & baling after parings with a few words.

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(81 members) COS 12.12.18

9) Impress Camerahs 11/12/18
We said we dont want
Indian from outside nor
Can we give any help export
There is nothing to get help
in regard Fodder in the
State

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	10) Hukeem Khairy Wadda Rehman reqg withe letter Dhy be supply recorded & reply to this reqg 13.12 14/12 14/12/18
	Subd. 11) May this be filed now? 16/12/18 16/12/18
	14 From The Rev Commissioner Ly No 7c. 22 dated 21.12.18 In reply to sl 12, states that Conditions re supply of fodder in the State has considerably improved but that we will not be in a position to export any outside the State
	13) Submitted. 14) This will be filed after perusal as directed in para 10 supra. 24/12/18 24/12/18

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MYSORE RESIDENT'S OFFICE,

Bangalore, 5th December 1918

No. 8330/Ene 2

A copy of the marginally* noted letter, ~~with~~ and of its enclosure, is forwarded to the Chief Secretary to Government of H.H. the Maharaja of Mysore, for information and favour of necessary action.

*No. 889, dated the 20th November 1918, from the Deputy Chairman & Secretary, Central Transport & Woodstuff Board

First Assistant Resident.

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Letter No. 889, dated the 20th November 1918, from the Deputy Chairman and Secretary, Central Transport and Foodstuffs Board, Delhi, to the Hon'ble the Resident in Mysore.

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I am directed to invite your attention to appendix B of the proceedings of the Foodstuffs Conference held at Nagpur on the 19th and 20t August 1918, so far as the proceedings relate to the supply and transport of fodder from areas which have a surplus to those in which there is a deficiency, and in this connection I am to forward for your - - - information a copy of the report of the Sub-Committee appointed to - - consider the fodder requirements of importing areas which was adopted by Resolution 4 of the Conference of the Directors of Civil Supplies and others held at Delhi on the 15th October 1918, under the presidency of the Hon'ble Sir Claude Hill, K.C.S.I., C.I.E., I.C.S.,

2. The Central Transport and Foodstuffs Board feel assured that the Mysore Durbar is fully alive to the necessities of the situation in regard to fodder which has been created by the widespread failure of the monsoon, but they are of opinion that it may be useful to the Durbar to be furnished with some information regarding the fodder position and requirements of other provinces and States as well as of the military stocks of fodder and estimated military requirements including outstanding contracts, both for the forces in India and for the forces over seas. The Report of the Sub-Committee on fodder at the Delhi Conference shows the amounts which the Civil authorities desired to obtain out of the fodder supplies to be released from military stocks, and it will be seen that the military authorities have already agreed to supply 32,000 tons of hay and bhusa for civil needs, the distribution of which has been arranged for between the Quartermaster General's branch and the local authorities concerned.

At the request of the Government of India the military authorities have relinquished their fodder demands for shipment to Egypt and Salonik and have reduced the demand for Aden. Demands on the Madras and United Provinces Governments for hay and bhusa have also been relinquished

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and outstanding contracts for bhusa in the Punjab have been greatly reduced. In addition to the above the Military Farms Department will place no contracts for fodder in the Tapti valley and in the districts on the Bombay Baroda and Central India Railway north of Bombay. As regards the forces in India I am to say that the requirements are at present estimated at about 200,000 tons for the year ending 1st November 1919, of which some 30 per cent may be expected to be produced by the Military Farms and the remainder will be met by local purchases in the different divisional areas. As regards shipments overseas, it is anticipated that a considerable quantity will be required for Mesopotamia and a smaller amount for Aden, but these demands will be fully covered by the stocks now in hand or under contract and by the supplies which the Central Provinces Administration has undertaken to make available for the Military authorities.

3. It is considered probable that the altered military situation may result in a further reduction of the military requirements of fodder and it is proposed to reconsider the position from time to time with a view to releasing, if possible, a larger quantity for civil needs, but such reduction cannot at present be regarded as assured and it is in any case considered essential that all available sources of fodder supplies in the country should be exploited as fully as possible. I am accordingly to suggest that in view of contingent famine relief measures it may be considered desirable, in anticipation of the declaration of scarcity or famine, to employ surplus labour on the cutting of fodder in sub-montane and jungle tracts, and I am to point out that if grass-cutting is to be undertaken on a large scale it will be necessary to organise concerted measures without delay. I am also to emphasise the importance of baling as far as possible any available supplies of fodder which are not required for consumption on the spot in view of the - - certainty that greatly increased demands for fodder will arise before the next year's harvest becomes available or the situation can be relieved by the monsoon of 1919. The Board will be glad to render any assistance in their power for the provision of presses for baling.

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4. The Government of India have already sanctioned the introduction of concession rates for the carriage of fodder by rail to certain provinces and districts and the Punjab Government have appointed a Fodder Commissioner with a view to the equitable distribution of the supplies available within the province and the prevention of profiteering. It is thought that these or similar measures such as the opening of reserved forest areas for grazing may perhaps be found desirable and feasible by other local Governments.

5. I am to request that this Board may be furnished at an early date with a brief review of the fodder situation and of the measures which it is proposed to take in order to supply any deficiency which may be anticipated.

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Appendix C - to Proceedings of the Delhi Foodstuffs and Fodder Conference held on 15th October 1918.

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Report of the Sub-Committee appointed to consider the fodder requirements of importing areas.

Present.

Col. F. W. Hallowes, C.I.E.
A. C. Rumboll, Esq.
H. J. Hope, Esq.
H. Dow, Esq.
A. H. Blunt, Esq.
Lt. Col. C. W. Waddington, C.I.E., M.V.O.

The present demands for fodder are estimated as follows:- (in tons

Bombay Deccan.	18,000
" Kathiawar	9,000
Baroda	250
Central India	3,600
Rajputana	8,500
	39,350

In addition to the above Sind requires 10,000 tons to relieve the

the situation at Karachi, where the military authorities have depleted local stocks to feed 25,000 mules from South America. This makes a total demand of 49,350 tons. Baroda also expects to require a considerable quantity, but cannot give exact figures or guarantee purchasers at the price.

To meet these demands Col. Hallowes on behalf of the QuarterMaster General is prepared to recognise the Sind requirement of 10,000 tons as a military requirement, and in addition to supply 22,000 tons which it is proposed to allot as follows:-

Sind	10,000 tons	(to be railed from Bhusaval)
Bombay Deccan ..	9,000 "	(" " " " Manmad)
" Kathiawar.	4,500 "	(" " " " ")
Central India ..	3,600 "	(" " " "" Harpalpur)
Rajputana ..	4,650 "	(" " " Khandwa & Udaighar)
Baroda ..	250 "	(already despatched).
	32,000	

It is suggested that if these allotments are not drawn upon by the end of December, they will be reallotted to meet the needs of other areas. This leaves a deficit of 17,350 tons required immediately.

As regards other sources of supply, Mr. Blunt stated that arrangements are being made in the United Provinces to cut and bale the forest grass, primarily for home consumption, estimated at 73,500 tons. It is possible that some may be spared for export later on in the event of rain to increase the ordinary pasturage. Col. Hallowes considers it probable that some bhusa is available in the Eastern part of the United Provinces which should be collected and baled at once. Mr. Blunt undertook to make enquiries on this point. Col. Hallowes added that any bhusa that could be given him by the United Provinces Government would enable him to release a corresponding quantity of hay for civil needs.

It is understood that the Central Provinces cannot work up to more than the total of 100,000 tons which they have undertaken to cut and bale for the military authorities.

It is thus apparent that there are no visible sources of supply beyond

beyond those already mentioned. The Sub-Committee would urge the necessity of asking the military authorities to review their fodder position from time to time with a view to releasing if possible a larger quantity for civil needs, and also suggest that local Governments which normally have grass and grazing areas should be asked to exploit such areas to the fullest extent.

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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT,
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Date of issue 9.12.18

Signed by [illegible]

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To

The Revenue
& Mr Conservator of Forests

Sir,

I am directed to forward herewith a copy of letter no 8879 dated 20th Nov 1918 from the Secretary Chairman & Fees, Central Transport & Foodstuffs Bd - regarding fodder requirements & to request you to be so good

over.

No. 9274

Conservator's Office

Dated Bangalore, 10th December 1918.

No 6184

From

M. G. Rama Rao, Esqr., B.A.,

Conservator of Forests in Mysore.

To

C.S. Balasundaram Aiyer, Esqr., B.A.,

Chief Secretary to the Government of H.H.

the Maharaja of Mysore, Bangalore.

Sir;

With reference to your letter No. G.10857-8/P.P.72-18-12 dated the 9th instant, forwarding copy of letter No.889 dated the 20th November 1918 from the Deputy Chairman and Secretary Central Transport and Foodstuffs Board, regarding fodder requirements, I have the honor to invite your attention to my letter No.1725 dated 10th August 1918, wherein, I have mentioned that 25000 tons of grass could be made available for export purposes after about the middle of October, should seasonal conditions improve. Since the date of this communication, the Director of Grass Farms, IXth Division, Bangalore, has applied for the lease of the Grass crop of certain State Forests in the Kadur and Shimoga Districts on payment of a royalty of Rs. 2/- per ton of hay harvested and pressed at his own expense. A recommendation has been made by me in this behalf in My letter No.5927 dated the 30th November last and if the same is sanctioned, we will have disposed of ten (15000 tons of grass out of the 25000 tons estimated by me in my letter of August last. The remaining quantity can be made available from the Mysore District, and I have no objection to dispose of this grass on a royalty of Rs.2/- per ton of hay, the cost of collection and pressing of grass

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being borne by the Central Transport and Foodstuffs Board.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Conservator of Forests

in Mysore.

OFFICE OF THE REVENUE COMMISSIONER
IN MYSORE.

No. ೨೮೩೩ *Bangalore*, 21st December 1918.

DIARY NO. 1007

FROM

K.R. Srinivasiengar, Esquire, M.A.,
Revenue Commissioner in Mysore.

To

Chief
The Secretary to the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,
~~Department~~

SIR,

With reference to your letter No.G.10857-8/P.P.72-18-12 dated the 9th December 1918 calling for my suggestions on the letter of the Deputy Chairman and Secretary, Central Transport and Food-stuffs Board, regarding fodder requirements, I have the honour to state that the fodder situation in this State was bad until two months back but the rains of November have considerably improved the situation. Green grass is now available for cattle everywhere and it is understood that the cattle which had been taken to the jungles when fodder was scarce have since been brought back to their villages.

When we had to face a similar situation in 1908, arrangements were made to cut and supply grass from the State Forests for the use of cattle in the maidan. But the cattle did not take ~~to it~~ kindly to the grass and the arrangements did not prove to be satisfactory. Having already had this experience, the experiment was not repeated this year and it was considered sufficient to throw open the State Forests for free grazing.

Now that the situation has improved, all cause for anxiety has been removed and I think that we shall be able to

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From

The *Revenue Commissioner in Mysore.*

To

The *Chief Secretary to the Government of H. H. the Maharaja of Mysore,*
~~Department.~~

Dated 21st December 19

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tide over the present season without much difficulty. We shall not need any fodder to be imported for our use from outside the State nor shall we be in a position to export any fodder from the State, as our supply will, ~~after~~ if at all, be only just sufficient for our requirements.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

K D S Macgregor

Revenue Commissioner.

B.R.